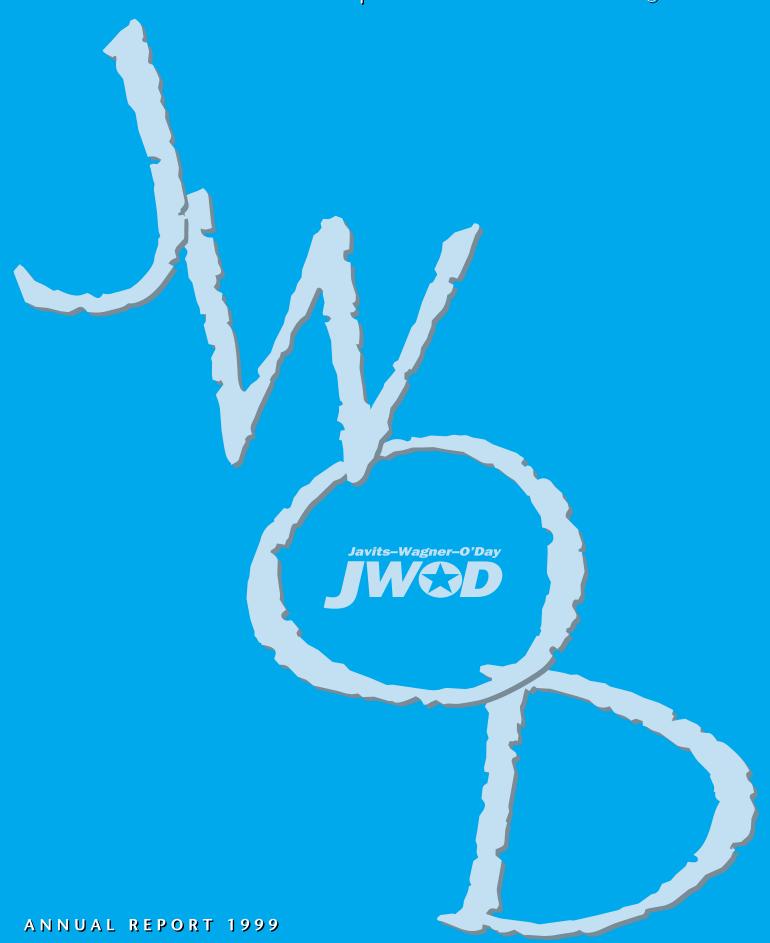
Committee for Purchase from People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled



### CHAIRPERSON'S MESSAGE

Y 1999 marks my last full year as Chairperson of the Committee, a responsibility I have found as rewarding and challenging as any in my Federal career. Consequently, this message to introduce the Committee's report on the last fiscal year of the millennium would be particularly important to me even if FY 1999 hadn't brought with it unprecedented developments in the life of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day (JWOD) Program. In fact, FY 1999 was a ground-breaking year, as the JWOD Program continued its struggle to stay viable in the fluid world of Federal procurement. We succeeded overall, but encountered major obstacles in some areas.

As in recent years, the challenges were most evident with regard to common-use products (such as office, cleaning, and medical supplies) that can be purchased from commercial vendors selling through stores, catalogs, and the Internet. The use of purchase cards by Federal employees without acquisition backgrounds has continued to erode sales of such products, as cardholders unknowingly buy items that are essentially the same as Skilcraft and other JWOD supplies from commercial vendors. This translates into less work for people who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

In mid-July another challenge came our way. Acknowledging Federal customers' increasing preference for other supply sources, the General Services Administration (GSA) announced that it would close its depots, which had distributed JWOD products to Federal customers for over 50 years. Almost immediately GSA orders of JWOD products—the mainstay of many organizations serving people who are blind—dropped precipitously, causing layoffs and reductions in hours.

The good news is that the Committee, NIB, and NISH, working with the nonprofit agency community and Federal JWOD advocates, pulled together to accelerate and expand initiatives already underway and start up others. Extra resources were devoted to marketing the Program and working with commercial distributors, while a project to launch an e-commerce site (www.jwod.com) went into high gear. In addition, GSA Administrator Dave Barram promised to work with the JWOD community to help it weather the storm. By year's end, the future, while far from certain, appeared considerably less bleak than was the case two months earlier.

FY 1999 also witnessed more changes within the JWOD team ranks. Jim Gibbons joined NIB as its President and CEO, marking the first time a person who is blind has held that critical post. Working with Kevin Lynch, who performed admirably as Interim NIB President for eight months, Jim quickly showed himself to be a team player and a savvy leader who understands the need to adapt to and anticipate change.

In the loss column, we bid farewell to Hugh Brennan, the



Department of Commerce representative since 1984, Suzanne Seiden, our Department of Labor colleague since 1994, and Don "Smoke" Hickman, who represented the Navy for almost two years. We also prepared to say good-by in early 2000 to Bev Milkman, our outstanding Executive Director since 1988.

Because the unemployment rate among people with disabilities remains unacceptably high, our work is far from done. Together, we can continue to make a difference in the year 2000 and beyond!

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Gary J. Krump Chairperson

# COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED 1999 ANNUAL REPORT

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### COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

n accordance with the legislative history of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day (JWOD) Act (41 U.S.C. 46-48c), the Committee's mission is to use the purchasing power of the Federal Government to provide people who are blind or have other severe disabilities with employment and training that will develop and improve job skills as well as prepare them for employment



options outside the JWOD Program. The Committee's primary means of achieving this objective is to direct the Government to procure commodities and services provided by nonprofit agencies employing such persons. Among the major functions carried out by the Committee are:

- Determining which commodities and services are suitable for provision by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities, and providing information on such items to Federal personnel through various publications and other means.
- Determining fair market prices for these commodities and services and revising prices in accordance with changing market conditions.
- Assisting Federal agencies to expand procurement from organizations participating in the JWOD Program, and monitoring the compliance of both with Committee regulations and procedures.

Another major responsibility of the Committee is to designate, establish fee ceilings for, and provide guidance to central nonprofit agencies which help State-operated and private nonprofit agencies participate in the JWOD Program. The Committee has designated National Industries for the Blind (NIB) and NISH to provide such assistance.

### **NIB/NISH ROLES**

IB and NISH are independent private organizations, not Federal entities. Each of the 631 State and private nonprofit agencies participating in the JWOD Program at the end of FY 1999 is associated with either NIB or NISH. Major functions carried out by NIB and NISH in conjunction with the JWOD Program are:

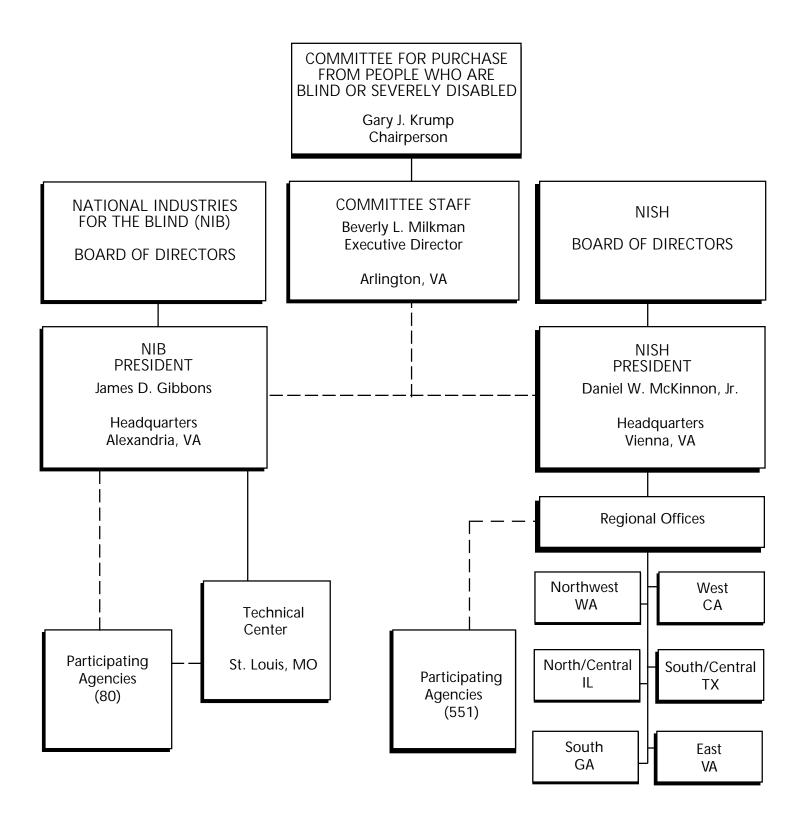
- Allocating Government orders for JWOD items among nonprofit agencies.
- Assisting nonprofit agencies to develop new JWOD items for the Committee's consideration; calculate proposed JWOD prices; address production/service provision problems; and comply with Committee regulations.
- Evaluating nonprofit agencies' capabilities to provide specific commodities and services.

NIB and NISH are also responsible for obtaining from Federal contracting activities item procurement histories and other information required by the Committee.





# JWOD ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE / FISCAL YEAR 1999



### COMMITTEE MEMBERS

ommittee members are appointed by the President. Private citizens serve five-year terms and may be reappointed. Federal Government members serve for the period of time their agency designates them.



Gary J. Krump, *Chairperson Deputy Assistant Secretary for Acquisition and Materiel Management*Department of Veterans Affairs

April 1994



Evelyne Jobe Villines, Vice Chairperson Private Citizen–Obstacles to Employment of Persons with Other Severe Disabilities April 1994



Timothy A. Beyland

Associate Deputy Assistant
Secretary (Contracting)

Department of the Air Force
July 1998



Hugh L. Brennan

Director, Office of Security

and Administrative Services

Department of Commerce

August 1984



RADM E. R. Chamberlin, SC, USN *Principal Deputy Director*Defense Logistics Agency
Department of Defense
July 1998



Deborah G. Groeber

Private Citizen–Nonprofit Agency

Employees with Other Severe

Disabilities

January 1996



RADM Donald E. Hickman, USN Commander, Naval Supply Systems Command
Department of the Navy
March 1999



Ira L. Hobbs

Deputy Chief Information Officer

Department of Agriculture

October 1995



Kenneth J. Oscar

Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army (Procurement)

Department of the Army

November 1995



Frank P. Pugliese, Jr.

Commissioner, Federal

Supply Service

General Services Administration
July 1998



LeRoy F. Saunders

Private Citizen—Obstacles to

Employment of Persons Who

are Blind

March 1995



Fredric K. Schroeder

Commissioner, Rehabilitation

Services Administration

Department of Education
February 1995



Steven B. Schwalb

Chief Operating Officer, UNICOR

Corporate Management

Federal Prison Industries

Department of Justice

November 1994



Suzanne B. Seiden

Acting Deputy Administrator

Wage and Hour Division

Department of Labor

November 1994



Donald H. Wedewer Private Citizen–Nonprofit Agency Employees Who are Blind April 1994

# COMMITTEE MEETINGS FY 99

uring FY 1999, the Committee held eight formal meetings, lasting approximately three hours each, with the exception of the full-day July meeting. Unless otherwise noted, the meetings were held at the Committee's office in Arlington, Virginia. The following list identifies key topics discussed at each meeting.

# October 20, 1998

St. Louis, Missouri NIB Annual Meeting

- Desktop Distributors
- Base Supply Centers
- Bundling/Cleaning in Leased Buildings
- NIB Marketing Plan

# **DECEMBER 10, 1998**

- Joint NIB/NISH Training
- PBS Janitorial Contracts
- DoD Counsel Opinion on Randolph-Sheppard and Military Mess Halls
- Federal Procurement Environment

# January 14, 1999

- DLA E-Mall
- FY 1998 Compliance Visits Report
- Expanded Use of Skilcraft Logo
- Duluth Settlement

### FEBRUARY 11, 1999

- NIB/NISH FY 1998 Achievements
- Proposed Randolph-Sheppard/JWOD Food Service Initiative
- JWOD and Greening of the Government Executive Order

# May 17, 1999

Palm Desert, California NISH Annual Training Conference

- Proposed DoD Randolph-Sheppard Legislation
- Nonprofit Agency Presentations on Ratio Problems
- JWOD Program Funding Subcommittee Report
- Authorization of NIB to Distribute JWOD Products

# JULY 15, 1999

Full day meeting at Defense Logistics Agency, Ft. Belvoir, Virginia

- Status of GSA Stock Program
- Distribution of JWOD Products Managed by GSA
  - JWOD Web Site/Distribution System
  - Authorizing Additional JWOD Distributors
  - GSA MAS Desktop Vendors
  - Base Supply Centers
- Marketing the JWOD Program
- Proposed Revisions to Committee Regulations

## **SEPTEMBER 9, 1999**

- JWOD Internet Ordering Site/JWOD Schedule
- Study on Benefits Derived from JWOD Service Contracts
- NIB/NISH 2000 Plans

# March 11, 1999

- JWOD Medical/ Surgical Products
- Results of PBS Customer Survey
- Nonprofit
  Agency FY 1998
  Ratios
- Marketing JWOD Products to Military Bases
- E.R. "Dick" Alley Award



From left to right: (Front Row) Frank Pugliese, Admiral E. R. Chamberlain, Evelyne Villines, Deborah Groeber, Admiral Donald Hickman; (Back Row) LeRoy Saunders, Gary Krump, Donald Wedewer, Kenneth Oscar, Timothy Beyland.

#### **MILESTONES**

s in previous years, the composition of the Committee changed in FY 1999 with the departure of three members: Hugh Brennan, Rear Admiral Donald Hickman and Suzanne Seiden. The JWOD community is always sorry to see members leave, but will remember the contributions they made in providing employment and training opportunities for people with disabilities.



Executive Director Beverly Milkman presents a plaque to departing member Hugh Brennan.

Of those who left the Committee in FY 1999, **Hugh L. Brennan** had served the longest. Brennan was appointed to the Committee in 1984 as the Department of Commerce representative. Early in his tenure, Brennan was instrumental in persuading Commerce to contract with a nonprofit agency to perform mailroom and other administrative services. This occurred at a time when these types of services were not as commonplace as they are today. And Brennan continued to look for other services within Commerce that could be performed by people with disabilities. Prior to leaving the Committee, Brennan moved to the Census Bureau where he is responsible for logistical support for the Census 2000. In this position, he has been instrumental in orchestrating communications between local Census offices and nonprofit agencies to establish requirements for Census 2000 that could be performed by people who are blind or severely disabled. Brennan also served on various Subcommittees and hosted several Committee meetings.

Rear Admiral Donald E.
Hickman represented the
Department of Navy during FY
1999. Although he was on the
Committee for only a short
time, Hickman assisted in the
addition to the Procurement List
of eight Servmarts (Navy base
supply centers). Hickman also
initiated funding for a website



for all the Servmarts operated by nonprofit agencies under the JWOD Program, and arranged for JWOD representatives to make presentations on the Program to Navy staff with purchasing responsibilities.

The Committee also said farewell to Suzanne B. Seiden, who had represented the Department of Labor since 1994. During her five years on the Committee, Seiden assisted the JWOD community in reducing the time required to obtain wage determination rates for service contracts subject to the Service Contracts Act. She contributed significantly through participation in the Committee for Strategic Initiatives meetings and improved coordination between NIB and NISH in her role as Chair of the Subcommittee on JWOD Program Funding. Seiden acted as an advocate for the JWOD Program within the Department of Labor, which included hosting a JWOD Exhibit, and also promoted the Program through her contacts with Clinton Administration officials in the White House and other agencies.



Committee Chairperson Gary Krump with departing member Suzanne Seiden.

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# E. R. "Dick" Alley Award Recipient—Paul Denett

n March 1999, the Committee selected Paul Denett from the Department of Interior as the first recipient of the E. R. "Dick" Alley Career Achievement Award. The purpose of the award, which was created in 1998 to honor the Committee's longtime Deputy Executive Director, Dick Alley, is to recognize an individual for extraordinary achievement and consistent effort in utilizing the Federal procurement system to generate employment and training opportunities for people who are blind or have other severe disabilities under the Javits-Wagner-O'Day (JWOD) Program.

Paul Denett is currently the Director of Administration and the Senior Procurement Executive at the Department of Interior. With over 30 years of Federal procurement experience, Denett has few if any peers in terms of longevity

as a JWOD Program advocate. His support of the JWOD Program began during his tenure at the Department of Agriculture. Convinced of the tremendous value of the JWOD Program to Federal customers and people with severe disabilities, Denett expanded his advocacy of the Program as his career progressed and he moved into senior management positions at the Department of Treasury and Department of Interior. Some of Denett's initiatives include: arranging numerous opportunities for JWOD representatives or products to be exposed to Interior staff; purchasing special JWOD products for conferences and awards; giving the Committee prime speaking time at Interior conferences; hosting a JWOD Program Product and Contract Fair; and establishing an annual JWOD cash award for Interior offices that have successfully instituted or demonstrated significant support for the JWOD Program. Denett voluntarily attends Committee meetings to stay abreast of new developments and issues. He was also instrumental in obtaining an invitation for the Committee to participate in the Federal Procurement Council, thereby providing access for the JWOD team to



Award winner Paul Dennett (center) and Committee Vice Chairperson Evelyne Villines (right) during presentation of the E.R. "Dick" Alley Career Achievement Award by Secretary of the Interior Bruce Babbitt (left).

discussions that help shape Federal procurement policy and implementation of that policy.

Denett's efforts have resulted in exemplary support for the JWOD Program from Interior officials and staff. More than 10 services have been added to the Procurement List since his arrival. Sales of JWOD products have also benefitted from his efforts, which include regular reminders to Interior purchase cardholders that JWOD supplies not only represent best value, but remain mandatory, despite the many changes in the federal procurement process.

It is because of Paul Denett's unwavering, broad range of support for the JWOD Program for many years that he was selected to receive the first E.R. "Dick" Alley Career Achievement Award, the highest honor the Committee bestows. The award was presented to Denett by Committee Chairperson Gary Krump at the NISH Annual Conference in Palm Desert, California, in May 1999. The award was represented to Denett by Committee Vice-Chairperson Evelyne Villines at a special ceremony at the office of the Honorable Bruce Babbitt, Secretary of the Interior, on July 28, 1999.

#### NEW AND NOTEWORTHY

# An expanding network for distributing JWOD Products: Base Supply Centers



Government employee purchasing JWOD products in a Base Supply Center.

s reported in the Committee's FY 1997 Annual Report, the preceding fiscal year had seen the inauguration of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day (JWOD) Program's Base Supply Center (BSC) initiative. The BSC initiative stemmed from perceived needs by both the military and the JWOD community. Base Supply Centers (also known as Servmarts, base supply stores, and self-service supply centers) were historically operated by Department of Defense (DOD) personnel. Depending upon the service and the functions performed by the particular base, each BSC carried a range of office, maintenance, safety, and food service supplies to meet the mission-related needs of DOD employees.

By the mid-1990's, the military wanted to move Government personnel from activities like running BSCs to more critical

functions. At the same time, JWOD proponents welcomed the opportunity to assure the continued distribution of JWOD products by taking over the operation of BSCs. The JWOD team feared that closure of the BSCs would lead base personnel to turn to local retailers to meet their needs: retailers offering commercial items essentially the same as JWOD products. Purchases of such commercial items would deprive people with disabilities in approximately 60 nonprofit agencies of jobs that would have been generated by sales of JWOD products. In addition, the JWOD team recognized the potential to employ people with severe disabilities at the BSCs.

No one, however, expected the explosive growth that has characterized the BSC experience. Similarly, no one expected to discover that many of the existing military-run BSCs carried only a limited range of Skilcraft and other JWOD products. As a result of both the rapid expansion of JWOD-operated BSCs and the JWOD BSC operators' dedication to stocking as many JWOD products as feasible, the FY 1999 JWOD employment and sales data presented are far greater than would have been the case in the absence of the BSC initiative.

By the end of FY 1999, the number of JWOD-operated BSCs had grown from the four in place in FY 1996 to over 80 in 40 states, Guam and Puerto Rico. These BSCs are operated by 22 JWOD nonprofit agencies: 18 associated with NIB and four linked to NISH. In some cases, the nonprofit agency also operates the base's individual equipment element (IEE) facility, which furnishes clothing and other products used by military personnel.

As noted above, the primary goal of operating BSCs under the JWOD Program is to provide a distribution channel for Skilcraft and other JWOD Products, while meeting the supply needs of base personnel. Data reported by the 22 nonprofit agencies running BSCs reflect total JWOD products sales of over \$28 million during FY 1999. Those sales represent over 28% of all sales at the BSCs. (These figures do not include IEE sales, since that is a separate operation with minimal JWOD stock.)

In recent years, JWOD sales have represented between 20% and 30% of GSA's office and general products stock program sales. Such products are comparable to those sold in most BSCs.

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#### JWOD EMPLOYMENT

# **Direct Labor Hours**

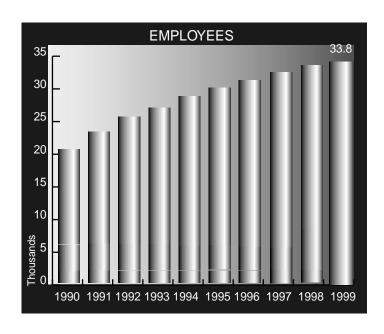
During FY 1999, direct labor hours worked on JWOD projects by people who are blind or have other severe disabilities increased once again, reaching a record 28,340,444. Of this amount, approximately 24.4 million hours (86 percent) were reported by agencies serving people with a range of severe disabilities associated with NISH. The remaining 3.9 million hours (14 percent) were performed in agencies serving people who are blind associated with NIB. The agencies associated with NISH registered an increase over FY 1998 of 8 percent, while NIB associated reported an increase over FY 1998 of nearly 3 percent. This is the third straight year in which NIB agencies reported an increase.



# JWOD Employees Who Are Blind or Have Other Severe Disabilities

uring FY 1999, 33,798 individuals who are blind or have other severe disabilities worked on JWOD contracts. This represents an increase of 234 individuals or .7 percent over the total number employed through the JWOD Program in FY 1998.

Of the 33,798 individuals, 30,179 (in excess of 89 percent) were employed by organizations affiliated with NISH. The NISH figure is approximately 2 percent higher than last year, for a net gain of 351. Agencies affiliated with NIB experienced a slight decrease in persons employed in the JWOD Program. In FY 1999, NIB agencies provided jobs for 3,619 individuals who are blind, a decrease of 117 persons or approximately 3 percent from FY 1998.



# Direct Labor Wages



mong the most impressive aspects of the JWOD Program is the amount of income it generates for people who are blind or severely disabled. During FY 1999, such individuals employed in direct labor on JWOD contracts received \$201.1 million in wages, an increase of approximately 12 percent over FY 1998. Consistent with the distribution of employees in organizations associated with NISH and NIB, persons working NISH-associated agencies received \$175.5 million or 87 percent of total JWOD wages. Individuals who are blind performing JWOD direct labor in organizations associated with NIB earned \$25.6 million in wages last year.

Both groups of organizations experienced overall increases in wages from FY 1998 to FY 1999. In NISH's case, the increase was approximately 12 percent, while in NIB's case, the associated agencies reported an increase of just under 10 percent.

# Direct Labor Average Hourly Wage



he average hourly wage paid to JWOD direct labor employees again increased. For FY 1999, the average was \$7.10, surpassing FY 1998's record by \$.29 or in excess of 4 percent. The FY 1999 average wage exceeds the Federal minimum wage of \$5.15 an hour by almost 38 percent.

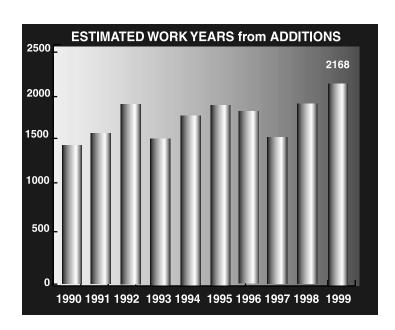
Individuals working for agencies affiliated with NISH averaged \$7.19 an hour, an increase of nearly 4 percent over FY 1998. Persons employed by organizations associated with NIB earned an average of \$6.54 an hour, up almost 6 percent from last year. The difference in the NIB and NISH average wage figures is due in large part from the wage requirements of the Service Contract Act.

#### JWOD ADDITIONS

# Estimated Number of Work Years Created from Additions to the Procurement List

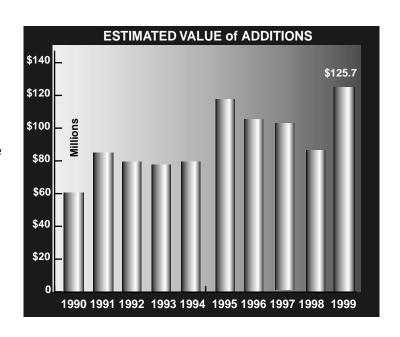
n FY 1999, additions to the Procurement List are expected to generate 2,168 work years (2000 hours of work) for people who are blind or have other severe disabilities. This figure includes jobs expected to be created as a result of line extensions for products already on the Procurement List and work generated though the GSA Basic Ordering Agreement (BOA) for temporary administrative services. Together, these categories accounted for 452 of the total work years added, including 186 work years estimated in conjunction with line extensions to products furnished by agencies associated with NIB.

Of the total work years, 1,759 or 82 percent were for agencies associated with NISH. Seventy-nine percent of the work years were linked to services additions, and 21 percent to product additions.



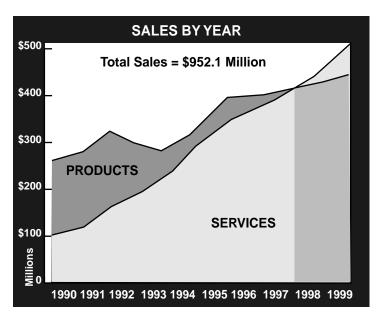
# Estimated Value of Additions to the Procurement List

s was the case in FY 1997 and FY 1998, the FY 1999 addition value data includes only the estimated value of regular additions to the Procurement List and not those linked to line extensions or GSA BOA jobs. The FY 1999 estimate of \$125.7 million is divided into \$94.2 million or 75 percent for organizations associated with NISH and \$31.5 million or 25 percent for NIB associates. Of the \$125.7 million total, \$60 million or 48 percent was tied to service contract additions. The remaining \$65.7 million or 52 percent was linked to product additions.



## **JWOD SALES**

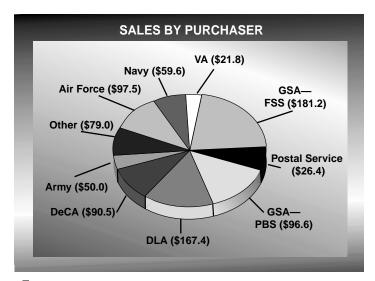
# Sales by Year



ontinuing a tradition, the sales of JWOD products in FY 1999 surpassed previous year's figures, reaching \$952.1 million, or 13.9 percent increase over FY 1998. Agencies associated with NISH experienced increases in both product and service sales. Those agencies sold \$706.2 million under the JWOD Program, an increase over FY 1998 of almost 20 percent. Product sales rose from \$151 million to \$193.2 million (28%); service sales rose from \$438.8 million to \$513 million (17%).

Although service sales by NIB-associated agencies increased slightly, the overall JWOD sales by these agencies decreased from last year to \$245.9 million, or.2 percent. These agencies experienced an increase in service sales, rising 43 percent from \$13.8 million to \$19.8 million, but experienced a decrease in product sales from \$232.6 million to \$226.0 million.

# Sales by Purchaser



n FY 1999, sales to all but one of the major departments increased. Although the Federal Supply Service of the General Services Administration (GSA) continued to be one of the two most important Federal distributors for the JWOD Program, for the second year in a row, sales decreased

from FY 1998 sales of \$194.7 million to \$181.2 million in FY 1999. The highest increase in sales was to the other large buyer, the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA). Its sales increased \$32.7 million, from \$134.7 million in FY 1998 to \$167.4 million in FY 1999. The Department of Air Force became the JWOD Program's third largest customer with sales of \$97.5 million; however the Public Buildings Service of GSA was close behind with sales of \$96.6 million. The second highest increase in sales was to the Postal Service-\$26.4 million, or 61 percent, over FY 1998. Sales to the Department of Army and Defense Commissary Agency experienced significant increases-\$17 million and \$16.2 million respectively. Sales to the Department of Veterans Affairs and the Department of Navy also increased slightly. The "Other" category had a noticeable increase of \$16.2 million, or 31%. This includes sales made to all other Federal agencies, excluding Department of Treasury and Military Resale items, which had sales of \$18.4 million and \$17.4 million respectively.

# COMMITTEE AWARD RECIPIENTS

# Outstanding Contributions Award—Commander Edwin Victoriano

n October 20, 1998, Commander Edwin Victoriano was recognized at the NIB Annual Conference in St. Louis, Missouri, for his outstanding contributions to the Javits-Wagner-O'Day (JWOD) Program. While Director of the Supply Department at Great Lakes Naval Training Center, Victoriano identified the need to provide a source of supply for high-volume, low-cost materials which had previously been provided by the SERVMART System. After visiting the Base Supply Center operated at NAS Jacksonville, Victoriano decided that a SERVMART operated by a NIB-associated agency would be the best solution for the Navy and people who are blind.

Victoriano energized his staff to complete the project quickly, and most importantly, correctly. He wanted to ensure that all aspects



of the project were not only approved, but also supported by all command levels of the Navy and suppliers. Victoriano personally set up and conducted briefings on the project with the Command level at Great Lakes, and senior Navy Training Command personnel at NAS Pensacola. All of his efforts culminated in the opening of the Base Supply Center in April 1998. Victoriano's enthusiasm and

advocacy for the JWOD Program have produced demonstrable results—two new jobs created for blind employees at the base supply center and another distribution outlet for JWOD products, thus helping to sustain manufacturing jobs for blind

employees at other NIB-and NISH-associated agencies. In congratulating him, Chairperson Krump stated, "Commander Victoriano's drive, enthusiasm and leadership in placing a JWOD base supply center at the Great Lakes Naval Training Center and in educating others about such possibilities led to major achievements for the JWOD Program."

# Outstanding Contributions Award— Federal Supply Service, Mid-Atlantic Region

uring FY 1999, four individuals from the Federal Supply Service, Mid-Atlantic Region, were recognized for their outstanding contributions to the development of JWOD service jobs. **Denise Furtak** is a

Contract Specialist for GSA in Philadelphia. She administers two service contracts that employ 24 people who are blind. Furtak tirelessly assisted nonprofit agencies with the addition and modifications of their contracts and

recommends additional opportunities to ensure that people who are blind are employed in the future.

As Assistant Regional Commissioner, Jack Williams is an exemplary leader for the JWOD Program in the Mid-Atlantic Region. In

the Spring of 1999, GSA announced that it planned to reorganize its call centers. Part of GSA's plan was to eliminate the Franconia Supply Center and increase the number of customer service representatives at the center in Philadelphia. Williams and his staff worked with NIB and its associated agencies to staff the positions with people who are blind. Williams, along with Matthew Peterson, Director of the Franconia Supply Center, provided the indispensable leadership needed to preserve the jobs of eight people who are blind at the Franconia Supply Center.

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## COMMITTEE AWARD RECIPIENTS

# Outstanding Contributions Award—Edward Gribbin

dward Gribbin is a Project
Manager for the Mid-Atlantic
Region of the General Services Administration (GSA), Public
Buildings Service (PBS), and serves
as the Mid-Atlantic contact for
JWOD. On May 17, 1999, he was
presented with an Outstanding
Contributions Award by Committee Chairperson Gary Krump at the
NISH National Training Conference
in Palm Desert, California.

Gribbin has the lead role in PBS–NISH partnering effort for the Mid-Atlantic Region. Gribbin has been singularly responsible for arranging and facilitating partnering sessions and negotiations with GSA/PBS Property Management and Contracting Officials, nonprofit agency

managers and NISH East Region Project Managers. His leadership has been apparent in the effective communication, motivation and cooperation demonstrated by all parties in this important process.

In addition, Gribbin identified janitorial services for performance by nonprofit agencies at six buildings and two potential expansions of existing services.

As Chairperson Krump indicated when congratulating Gribbin, his support of JWOD through his work with NISH East and each of the associated nonprofit agencies is "above and beyond the call of duty." Through his actions, Gribbin has demonstrated both professionalism on contract mat-



ters and a sincere desire to serve the needs of people who are severely disabled. 30

# Outstanding Contributions Award—Gwen Crespina

wen Crespina, Small
Business Specialist for the
Defense Industrial Supply
Center (DISC), Philadelphia,
Pennsylvania, was recognized at
the NISH National Training Conference for her outstanding contributions to the Javits-Wagner-O'Day
(JWOD) Program.

As the JWOD coordinator for over 10 years, Crespina has always provided quick, efficient and customer-centered support. She directly communicates with NISH National Office product research engineers and coordinates with each of the NISH Regional Office product engineering support teams on items being considered and approved for set-aside under JWOD. Crespina is especially effective in promoting the JWOD program with DISC buying officials. She has hosted numerous coordination meetings between



NISH and associate nonprofit agency staffs and DISC Engineering, Technical Support and Contracting Officers to identify manufacturing opportunities for persons with severe disabilities. Crespina

has also been instrumental in coordinating efforts to add over 100 products and services to the Procurement List. She has participated in many NISH National Training Conferences as a guest speaker and panel member. She also gives seminars and customer

service assistance to producing nonprofit agencies.

In presenting the award, Committee Chairperson Gray Krump recognized Crespina as being a full partner of the JWOD Team.

# COMMITTEE AWARD RECIPIENTS

# Outstanding Contributions Award—Cean Hartleben



ean Hartleben was also presented with an Outstanding Contributions
Award at the NISH National Training Conference. Hartleben is a Contract Specialist for the U.S. Army Armament and Chemical Acquisition and Logistics Activity (ACALA), Rock Island, Illinois. Driven by a desire to learn more about JWOD, NISH and the people with severe disabilities they serve,

Hartleben attended a NISH National Training Conference. She initiated preliminary contract discussions with NISH South Central Region and a nonprofit agency in Wichita, Kansas, for the production of ammunition magazines. Her leadership led to an open dialog between NISH, the nonprofit agency and Army engineering and technical support officials.

Although Hartleben did not have any experience working with JWOD, she never questioned the abilities of workers with severe disabilities to manufacture the 30-round ammunition magazine for the M-16 rifle. She provided quick response to contractual issues as they developed and smoothed the way for elimination of potential production delays. As of December 1998, 21 persons with disabilities were performing direct labor operations on the magazine

production line. The employment numbers will continue to increase as production reaches maximum capacity of 50,000 ammunition magazines per month.

In addition to the cost savings achieved in this contract, the Department of Army will reduce administrative lead time for future ammunition magazine buys from 300 days to 30 days. Hartleben received a citation from Dr. Kenneth Oscar, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army (Procurement), for utilizing her procurement skills and the JWOD Program to streamline the acquisition process.

The efforts of Hartleben have highlighted that Americans with severe disabilities are ready, willing and able to provide the top quality war fighting equipment necessary to support the combat readiness of our Armed Forces.

# Outstanding Contributions Award—Lydia Falk

ydia Falk received an Outstanding Contributions
Award at the NISH National
Training Conference in recognition of support for the JWOD
Program and NISH-associated
nonprofit agencies in two NISH regions while serving at Cannon
AFB, New Mexico (NISH South
Central) and Davis Monthan AFB,
Arizona (NISH West).

During her assignment at Cannon AFB, Falk was instrumental in the selection of the local nonprofit agency for the food service attendant and commissary services contracts. Her involvement with the nonprofit agency, NISH South Central Region and the functional managers for both of these activities led to the full acceptance of the workers with severe disabilities as Cannon AFB team members.

While assigned to Davis Monthan AFB, Falk had a similar impact upon a local nonprofit agency. With skillful management



planning and coordination, she worked diligently with the base commander and staff, NISH West Region and the nonprofit agency to add a base-wide janitorial project and library service to the Procurement List. Falk has also been involved in plans for a postal service center and laundry services additions.

Falk's business manner has been described as firm, fair and yet caring for the Americans with severe disabilities who work on each of the contracts under her stewardship. As one of the nonprofit agency executives stated "After all of my dealings with federal contracting officials, Lydia

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### **NIB/NISH Award Recipients**

# Peter J. Salmon Service Employee of the Year: Michelle Mills

t the 1999 NIB National Conference in St Louis, Missouri, the National Industries for the Blind (NIB) honored Michelle Mills by naming her the Peter J. Salmon Service Employee of the Year. While growing up in a small town in Illinois, Mills struggled through school and at the age of 17 she was diagnosed with retinitis pigmentosa. Since school had been so difficult for her with an undiagnosed visual impairment, Mills considered her graduation the greatest accomplishment of her life. Afterwards, she joined the team at Hardees Restaurant. where she was promoted to assistant manager. After living in Alabama for a few years, Mills returned to Illinois and sought rehabilitation services from the

Chicago Lighthouse for People Who Are Blind or Visually Impaired. Here, for the first time, she met other people with visual impairments. When she enrolled in the office skills training program, Mills could type only 10 words a minute with six errors.

Nine months later, Mills tested at 50 words a minute with just one error and was named the Lighthouse's Student of the Year. Mills credits the Lighthouse with providing her an uplifting and



educational experience. "I met other people with visual impairments and learned that they did not let their blindness stop them from doing what they wanted to

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# Peter J. Salmon Manufacturing Employee of the Year: Edward Gonzalez

dward Gonzalez was presented with the Peter J.
Salmon Manufacturing Employee of the Year award during ceremonies at the 1999 NIB Annual Conference. Gonzalez is associated with The Chicago Lighthouse for People Who Are Blind or Visually Impaired. At the age of five, Gonzales lost

all vision in his left eye a

his premature birth,

which also affected his

heart. In 1979, he suf-

circumstance attributed to

fered total paralysis below the waist as a result of being shot. After a year in the hospital and another year in a rehabilitation program, he left in a wheelchair, but was also equipped with braces on his legs. He could not



accept the doctors' predictions that he would never walk again. "I told the doctors they were wrong," said Gonzalez. "I exercised every day, and eventually, I was able to walk with a cane." It

was just about that time that Gonzalez lost the sight in his right eye. After three unsuccessful eye surgeries, Gonzalez was feeling pretty hopeless. But, he did not give up. In 1984, Gonzalez sought training at the State of Illinois Visually Handicapped Institute and was referred to The Chicago Lighthouse. After a short period of evaluation and training, he began working at the Lighthouse making hydraulic hoses and battery cables for

trucks, building clocks and remanufacturing laser cartridges.

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# **NIB/NISH AWARD RECIPIENTS**

# Milton J. Samuelson Career Achievement Award: Patricia C. Jarrett



by NIB with the presentation of the Milton J.
Samuelson Career Achievement Award winner. Presented at the 1999 NIB National Conference, this award is bestowed on an individual who is employed within or outside an NIB-associated nonprofit agency in a competitive position. Jarrett is currently employed as a receptionist at Indus-

tries of the Blind in Greensboro, North Carolina, where she greets visitors, manages the switchboard, handles walk-in sales, and processes mail for a manufacturing plant with 113 employees.

Jarrett's story is one of courage and determination. Blinded as a teenager in 1977 during an abduction, Jarrett is also deaf in one ear and paralyzed on the right side as a result of the same incident. She spent months undergoing therapy and remained at home the next two years. She completed 10th and 11th grades through a home schooling program, returned to school for 12th grade, and was honored at her graduation in 1980 as the "most courageous senior." That fall, Jarrett entered college and majored in social work. After deciding to return home, she pursued courses in flower arranging and began selling her creations. In 1991, Jarrett entered a training program at Industries of the Blind in

Greensboro. She learned computer programs and developed business skills. With renewed confidence, Jarrett went for her first job interview and was hired by Sears TeleService Center as a customer service representative. For four years, she handled customer complaints and scheduled repair service calls.

Jarrett has served on the Greensboro Mayor's Committee for Persons with Disabilities, has been involved in initiatives to improve transportation for disabled people and has helped plan annual celebrations in recognition of the Americans with Disabilities Act. She was also a torchbearer for the Paralympics relay that came through Greensboro in 1996 on its way to Atlanta.

Today, Jarrett, 37, enjoys spending time at home with her husband and her dog. Her plans for the future include learning more about computers and taking on more responsibility at Industries of the Blind.

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with NIB and its associated agencies to expand employment opportunities throughout Virginia. He has also made invaluable contributions to new product development by test marketing introductory products manufactured by NIB associated agencies and providing promotional materials to GSA customers. Peterson's efforts have resulted in creating full-time employment for 21 quality service jobs for people who are blind.

As the person directly responsible for the call center operation

at Philadelphia, Joseph
Bojanowski, Customer Supply
Manager, was one of the driving
forces behind the expansion of
the center from four customer
service representatives to seventeen. Because of Bojanowski's
positive, proactive commitment
to the JWOD Program and those it
serves, more employment opportunities are available to people
who are blind.

Furtak accepted her award at the NIB Annual Conference in October 1998. Due to other commitments, Williams, Peterson and Bojanowski were unable to accept their awards in person. Frank Pugliese, Commissioner, Federal Supply Service, and a member of the Committee, accepted the awards on their behalf. •

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Falk is in a class all by herself. We really miss her." Falk has recently been reassigned to Fairchild AFB and will now provide support to a third NISH Region (NISH Northwest).

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### NIB/NISH AWARD RECIPIENTS

# William M. Usdane Award Recipient—George Root

eorge Root was selected by NISH to receive the William M. Usdane Award in recognition of overcoming many challenges and excelling in the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Program. He accepted the honor during the 1999 NISH National Training Conference in Palm Desert, California.

The challenges in Root's life began at age 3 with the death of his adoptive mother. His adoptive father remarried but died suddenly, leaving Root in the care of a stepmother who had little understanding of the quiet, noncommunicative child. At age 11, Root's stepmother died and left him in the care of Michigan family services. Doctors were unwilling or unable to conclusively explain Root's unusual behaviors of isolation, limited communication and occasional aggressive acting out.

When Root turned 18, the Bray

family, who had been involved with him throughout his child-hood, petitioned the court system to become his guardians. The Brays were able to get Root evaluated by doctors who determined that he was autistic.

When the Brays

moved to Tennessee in 1993, Root was referred to The Advocacy & Resources Corporation (ARC) where he began working on a Javits-Wagner-O'Day (JWOD) Project for the manufacture of bakery mix items. With the support of the ARC staff and his newfound family, Root began to show significant improvements in his job skills and with his personal interactions with co-workers.

Today Root has become a leader among his co-workers. As a packager, Root completes multi-



task assignments and, at the same time, integrates complex quality and safety requirements on the production line. Root has also acquired the language and social skills to initiate the in-line training of new co-workers in quality and production requirements. Root is an example of a young man who has been able to defy many of the odds against him with the help of his family, a nonprofit agency and the JWOD Program.

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Consequently, the percentage of JWOD sales achieved overall by the BSCs in FY 1999 demonstrates that the BSC network is an effective means of distributing JWOD products. No hard data is available regarding the dollar value of JWOD products sold in the past by military-run BSCs or the JWOD sales percentage of such stores. However, anecdotal evidence provided by nonprofit agencies that have taken over their operation leaves no doubt that most stores operated by nonprofit agencies sell substantially more JWOD products than were sold previously. In addition to increasing sales of JWOD products (and, thereby, jobs for people with disabilities in producing agencies), the BSC initiative provided in-store work during FY 1999 for more than 100 individuals who are blind or have other severe disabilities. These nonprofit agency employees work as cashiers, stocking clerks, warehouse staff, and customer service representatives in integrated settings comparable to those found in the commercial sector.

The end of FY 1999 found 17 more BSC locations in the process

of being added to the JWOD Procurement List for operation by nonprofit agencies. In addition, six more nonprofit agencies associated with NIB had applied for authorization to operate BSCs.

As Government product distribution systems continue to evolve, the role of the growing network of JWOD-operated BSCs is likely to assume greater significance. Properly run, such facilities meet the military's needs, while demonstrating the abilities of people who are blind or severely disabled and generating jobs for such individuals through the sale of JWOD products.

# **NIB/NISH AWARD RECIPIENTS**

# Evelyne Villines Award Recipient—Sheldon Stapleton



heldon Stapleton represents the difference that the Javits-Wagner-O'Day (JWOD) Program makes in the lives of the individuals it serves. Stapleton is a young man who has mental retardation, psychiatric disabilities and autism. In 1995, Stapleton moved to Florida and was referred to The Act Corporation. When he first came to The Act, Stapleton worked on a variety

of packaging and assembly operations. Stapleton's productivity and morale were low, however, because none of the jobs he worked on were of great interest to him.

Ever since arriving at The Act Corporation, Stapleton had expressed a near-obsessive interest in working with mechanical devices such as motors, which initially was a distraction at the workplace. However, a JWOD job that required manufacturing animal traps for the government offered

the possibility of combining Stapleton's interest in mechanical devices with his need to learn appropriate job and socialization skills. Although he could not read, his ability to understand and work with mechanical devices was remarkable.

The job match proved successful for Stapleton who quickly took an interest in assembling the wire

and intricate metal latches that make up the traps. As a result of Stapleton's improved work habits and increased productivity, The Act Corporation began searching for work for him outside of the agency. After contacting 52 area businesses with no success, the Act staff persuaded a hesitant owner of a local bike shop to have Stapleton work for him.

By the end of the first week, Stapleton had been hired. Today, more than a year later, he has become an integral part of the daily routine at the store. Stapleton now lives in an assisted living facility where he pays rent and is working towards getting his own apartment someday. Stapleton continues to pursue his goal to someday work on small engines and has plans to attend a school that will provide him more formal, hands-on training in this area. His achievements were acknowledged during award ceremonies at the 1999 NISH National Training Conference.

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Today, Gonzalez, 41, assembles about 500 impact printer ribbon cartridges a day. He and his coworkers produce all the ribbons for the Illinois lottery. Gonzalez attributes the Lighthouse for his success today. "After I went totally blind, I never thought I would have my name back on a time card," said Eddie. "The Lighthouse is just like a family. They provided me with an occupation and a future. And I will never leave them because they are always there for me." Although in

constant pain from the injuries 20 years ago, Gonzalez keeps busy lifting weights, recording music, and taking care of his apartment.

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do," said Michelle. "They gave me confidence in myself which was important because I grew up thinking I could not do anything because I was visually impaired."

In December of 1997, Mills landed the position of store clerk at a Servmart operated under the auspices of the JWOD Program by

Wiscraft, Inc. (an NIB-associated nonprofit agency) at the Great Lakes Naval Base in Waukegan, Illinois. She is responsible for shelf stocking, store maintenance, cashier duties, and operating a pallet jack in the warehouse.

Today, Mills, 34, is a single parent to her young daughter and is engaged with plans to marry this fall. She is a very active member of the Lions Club and is involved in their fundraising programs. Mills hopes to continue working at Wiscraft's Servmart because she says, "The people are really great!"

Nonprofit agencies authorized to produce supplies and/or services under the JWOD Program during FY 1999 are listed below. There were a total of **631** nonprofit agencies with items on the Committee's Procurement List, a net increase of 8 from the 623 authorized in FY 1998. The net increase of 8 reflects 31 new participating agencies and 23 agencies that left the Program.

#### ALABAMA—9

Anniston Opportunity Center Easter Seal Rehabilitation Facility (NISH) Birmingham Alabama Goodwill Industries, Inc. (NISH) Gadsden Darden Rehabilitation Foundation (NISH) Huntsville Huntsville Rehabilitation Foundation (NISH) The ARC of Madison County, Inc. (NISH) Mobile GWI Services, Inc. (NISH) Montgomery Goodwill Industries of Central Alabama, Inc. (NISH) Muscle Shoals Northwest Alabama Easter Seal Children's Clinic-Rehabilitation Center (NISH) Talladega Alabama Industries for the Blind (NIB)

#### ALASKA—3

Anchorage Assets, Inc. (NISH) Fairbanks Fairbanks Resource Agency, Inc. (NISH) Juneau REACH, Inc. (NISH)

#### ARIZONA-12

Bisbee Cochise County Association for the Handicapped (NISH) **Nogales** Santa Cruz Training Programs, Inc. (NISH) Phoenix AFH Enterprises, Inc. (NISH) Arizona Industries for the Blind (NIB) Goodwill Community Service, Inc. (NISH) Tempe The Centers for Habilitation/TCH (NISH) Tucson Arizona Training Program at Tucson (NISH) Catholic Community Services of Southern Arizona (NISH) J.P. Industries, Inc. (NISH) Tetra Corporation (NISH) Tucson Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired (NIB)

Yuma WORC Center, Inc. (NISH)

Abilities Unlimited of Ft. Smith,

**BOST Human Development** 

Abilities Unlimited of Hot

Springs, Arkansas, Inc.

#### ARKANSAS—9

Inc. (NISH)

Services (NISH)

Fort Smith

Hot Springs

(NISH)

Jacksonville
Pathfinder Schools, Inc. (NISH)
Jonesboro
Abilities Unlimited of Jonesboro,
Inc. (NISH)
Little Rock
The Arkansas Lighthouse for the
Blind (NIB)
Magnolia
Abilities Unlimited, Inc. (NISH)
Pine Bluff
Jenkins Memorial Children's
Center and Jenkins Ind., Inc.
(NISH)
Texarkana

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### CALIFORNIA—51

Inc. (NISH)

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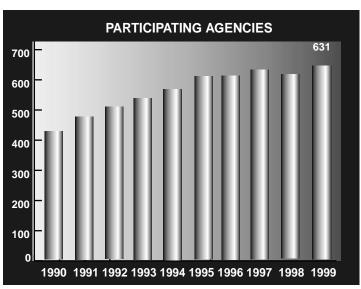
Bakersfield The Bakersfield Association for Retarded Citizens, Inc. (NISH) Baldwin Park Work Orientation and Rehabilitation Company, Inc. (NISH) Chico Work Training Center for the Handicapped (NISH) Concord Phoenix Programs, Incorporated (NISH) El Centro Association for Retarded Citizens-Imperial Valley (NISH) Imperial County Work Training Center, Inc. (NISH) Fontana The Fontana Rehabilitation Workshop (NISH) Hanford Kings Rehabilitation Center, Inc.

(NISH)

Harbor City

Inc. (NISH)

South Bay Vocational Center,



Desert Haven Enterprises, Inc. Lompoc Life Options, Vocational and Resource Center (NISH) Los Angeles Asian Rehabilitation Services, Inc. (NISH) Exceptional Children's Foundation (NISH) Goodwill Industries of Southern California (NISH) Mission Viejo Vocational Visions (NISH) Mt. Shasta Siskiyou Opportunity Center Napa Napa Valley P.S.I., Inc. (NISH) Oakland Calidad Industries, Inc. (NISH) Orange Orange County Association for Retarded Citizens (NISH) Palo Alto VTF Services (NISH) Pasadena Foothill Workshop for the Handicapped, Inc. (NISH) Valley Resource Center for the Retarded, Inc. (NISH) Rancho Cucamonga Vocational Improvement Program (NISH) Red Bluff **Tehama County Opportunity** 

Center, Inc. (NISH)

Lancaster

Redding Shasta County Opportunity Center (NISH) Richmond Rubicon Programs, Inc. (NISH) Ridgecrest Desert Area Resources and Training (NISH) Rohnert Park North Bay Rehabilitation Services, Inc. (NISH) Roseville PRIDE Industries (NISH) Sacramento Crossroads Rehabilitation Systems, Inc. (NISH) Easter Seals Society of Superior California (NISH) Goodwill Labor Power, Inc. (NISH) San Diego Association for Retarded Citizens-San Diego (NISH) Job Options, Inc. (NISH) San Francisco Rose Resnick Lighthouse for the Blind & Visually Impaired (NIB) Toolworks, Inc. (NISH) Santa Ana Goodwill Industries of Orange County (NISH) Santa Clara Hope Rehabilitation Services (NISH) Project HÍRED, Inc (NISH) Santa Maria The ARC of Santa Maria Valley (NISH) Santa Rosa

A-1 Services, Unlimited (NISH)



Steven Peterson prepares items to be mailed at Hope Rehabilitation Center.

#### CALIFORNIA—CONTINUED

South El Monte Lincoln Training Center and Rehabilitation Workshop (NISH) Stanford Service Disabled Veterans **Business Association (NISH)** Stockton Goodwill Industries of San

Joaquin Valley, Inc. (NISH) Suisun City V-Bar Enterprises, Inc. (NISH)

Torrance Social Vocational Services, Inc.

(NISH)

Truckee

Pacific Coast Community Services (NISH)

Vallejo

Solano Diversified Services, Inc. (NISH)

Ventura

Association for Retarded Citizens-Ventura County, Inc. (NISH) Woodland

Yolo Employment Services (NISH)

#### COLORADO-6

Colorado Springs Goodwill Industrial Services Corporation (NISH) Bayaud Industries, Inc. (NISH) Platte River Industries, Inc. (NISH) Fort Collins Foothills Gateway, Inc. (NISH)

Pueblo Pueblo Diversified Industries, Inc.

(NISH)

Westminster

North Metro Community Services for Developmentally Disabled (NISH)

#### CONNECTICUT—7

Bridgeport The Kennedy Center, Inc. (NISH) Enfield **Greater Enfield Allied** Rehabilitation Centers, Inc. (NISH) New Britain CW Resources, Inc. (NISH) Uncasville Easter Seal Rehabilitation Center of Southeastern Connecticut, Inc. (NISH) Waterbury Easter Seal Rehabilitation Center of Greater Waterbury, Inc. (NISH) West Hartford **BESB Industries (NIB)** Windsor The Greater Hartford Easter Seal

(NISH)

DELAWARE—3 Milford Kent-Sussex Industries, Inc. (NISH) New Castle Delaware Industries for the Blind (NIB) Wilmington Opportunity Center, Inc. (NISH)

Rehabilitation Center, Inc.

#### **DISTRICT OF** COLUMBIA—7

Ability Unlimited, Inc. (NISH) Anchor Mental Health Association (NISH) Columbia Lighthouse for the Blind (NIB) Davis Memorial Goodwill Industries (NISH) D.C. Association for Retarded Citizens, Inc. (NISH)

Lt. Joseph P. Kennedy Institute National Association of Concerned Veterans (NISH)

Work Oriented Rehabilitation

#### FLORIDA—22

Daytona Beach ACT, CORP. (NISH)

Center, Inc. (NISH) Fort Lauderdale Goodwill Industries of Broward County, Inc. (NISH) United Cerebral Palsy of Broward County, Inc. (NISH) Gainesville Association for Retarded Citizens Alachua County (NISH) Green Cove Springs CCAR Services, Inc. (NISH) lacksonville Goodwill Industries of North Florida, Inc. (NISH) Lake City CARC—Advocates for Citizens with Disabilities (NISH) Miami Easter Seal Society of Dade County, Inc. (NISH) Goodwill Industries of South Florida, Inc. (NISH) Hope Center, Inc. (NISH) Oriando Goodwill Industries of Central Florida, Inc. (NISH) The Epilepsy Association of Central Florida, Inc. (NISH) Pensacola Lakeview Center, Inc. (NISH) Riviera Beach Seagull Industries for the Disabled, Inc. (NISH) Rockledge ARC—Brevard, Inc. (NISH) Brevard Achievement Center, Inc. (NISH) St. Petersburg JobWorks, Inc. (NISH) The Pinellas Association for Retarded Children (NISH) Tampa Tampa Lighthouse for the Blind, Inc. (NIB) West Palm Beach Gulfstream Goodwill Industries.

#### GEORGIA—23

Inc. (NISH)

Albany Goodwill Industries of South Georgia, Inc. (NISH) Athens Kelley Diversified, Inc. (NISH) Atlanta Goodwill Industries of Atlanta, Inc. (NISH) The Bobby Dodd Center, Inc.

Lighthouse for the Blind of the

Palm Beaches, Inc. (NIB)

(NISH) Augusta East Georgia Easter Seal Society (NISH)

Bainbridge Georgia Industries for the Blind Columbus Power Works Industries, Inc. (NISH) Dublin The Middle Georgia Easter Seal Society, Inc. (NISH) Dunwoodv Jewish Vocational Service, Inc. (NISH) Jonesboro WORKTEC (NISH) La Grange New Ventures, Inc. (NISH) Macon Goodwill Vocations, Inc. (NISH) Marietta Nobis Enterprises, Inc. (NISH) Montezuma Macon County Mental **Retardation Services Center** (NISH) **Plains** Middle Flint Health Care-Sumter County Mental Retardation Center (NISH) Rome Sheltered Work Services of Rome, Inc. (NISH) Savannah Coastal Center for Developmental Services, Inc. (NISH) Goodwill Industries of the Coastal Empire, Inc. (NISH) Smyrna Blind & Low Vision Services of North Georgia (NIB) Thomasville Thomas-Grady Mental

Retardation Services Center (NISH) Warner Robins Epilepsy Association of Georgia,

Inc. (NISH) Family Support Alliance for the Mentally III, Inc. (NISH)

Houston County Association for Exceptional Citizens, Inc. (NISH)

#### GUAM—1

Able Industries of the Pacific (NISH)

#### HAWAII—7

Hilo The ARC of Hilo (NISH) Honolulu Goodwill Industries of Honolulu, Inc. (NISH) Ho'opono Workshop for the Blind (NIB) Lanakila Rehabilitation Center (NISH) Network Enterprises, Inc. (NISH) Wahiawa Opportunities for the Retarded, Inc. (NISH) Wailuku Ka Lima O Maui (NISH)

#### IDAHO—9

Blackfoot Dawn Enterprises, Inc. (NISH) Boise The Arc, Inc. (NISH) Caldwell Western Idaho Training Company, Inc. (NISH) Couer D'Alene TESH, Inc. (NISH) Fagle Trace, Inc. (NISH) Idaho Falls Development Workshop, Inc. (NISH) Lewiston Opportunities Unlimited, Inc. (NISH) Pocatello

New Day Products, Inc. (NISH)

Panhandle Special Needs, Inc.

#### ILLINOIS—21

Sandpoint

(NISH)

Alton Challenge Unlimited, Inc. (NISH) Rehabilitation and Vocational Education Program, Inc. (NISH) Belleville St. Clair Associated Vocational Enterprises, Inc. (NISH) Carthage Hancock County Mental Health Center, Inc. (NISH) Chicago Ada S. McKinley Community Services, Inc. (NISH) Chicago Association for Retarded Citizens (NISH) Jewish Vocational Services and Employment Center (NISH) Lester and Rosalie ANIXTER **CENTER (NISH)** The Chicago Lighthouse for People who are Blind or

REHAB Products and Services, Inc. (NISH) Lanark

Visually Impaired (NIB)

Rolling Hills Progress Center, Inc. (NISH)

Mt. Vernon

Jefferson County Comprehensive Services, Inc. (NISH)

Danville

Human Resources Center of **Edgar and Clark Counties** 

(NISH) Peoria Community Workshop and

Training Center, Inc. (NISH)

Gateway Services, Inc. (NISH)

Rock Island

Alliance for the Mentally III of Rock Island & Mercer Counties (NISH)

Association of Retarded Citizens of Rock Island County (NISH) Rockford Omni Business Services, Inc. (NISH) Rolling Meadows Clearbrook Center, Inc. (NISH) Waukegan GWS, Inc. (NISH) West Frankfort Franklin-Williamson Human Services, Inc. (NISH)

Stone Belt ARC, Inc. (NISH)

Tradewinds Rehabilitation

Center, Inc. (NISH)

#### INDIANA—9

Bloomington

Garv

Indianapolis Bosma Industries for the Blind, Inc. (NIB) Crossroads Rehabilitation Center, Inc. (NISH) Goodwill Industries of Central Indiana, Inc. (NISH) Michigan City Michiana Resources, Inc. (NISH) New Albany Rauch Rehabilitation & Developmental Services, Inc. (NISH) Paoli Orange County Rehabilitative and Developmental Services,

Vincennes Knox County Association for Retarded Citizens, Inc. (NISH)

#### IOWA—6

Inc. (NISH)

Des Moines Goodwill Industries of Central Iowa (NISH) Iowa City Goodwill Industries of Southeast Iowa (NISH) Marshalltown Mid-Iowa Workshops, Inc. (NISH) Newton **Progress Industries (NISH)** Shenandoah Nishna Productions, Inc. (NISH) Sioux City Wall Street Mission—Goodwill Industries Rehabilitation Center (NISH)

#### KANSAS—5

Lawrence Cottonwood, Inc. (NISH) Salina Occupational Center of Central Kansas, Inc. (NISH) Topeka Kansas Industries for the Blind (NIB) Wichita Center Industries Corporation (NISH) Envision, Inc. (NIB)

#### KENTUCKY—7

Corbin Southeastern Kentucky Rehabilitation Industries, Inc. (NISH) Danville Pioneer Vocational/Industrial Services (NISH) Hopkinsville Pennyroyal Regional Mental Health-Mental Retardation Board, Inc. (NISH) Lexington Opportunity Workshop of Lexington, Inc. (NISH) Louisville Custom Manufacturing Services, Inc. (NISH) Kentucky Industries for the Blind

(NIB) Owensboro

Opportunity Center Workshop, Inc. (NISH)

#### LOUISIANA—12

Baton Rouge Louisiana Industries for the Disabled, Inc. (NISH) Berwick Bayou Industrial Maintenance Services, Inc. (NISH) Jena La Salle Association for the Developmentally Delayed, Inc. (NISH) Lake Charles Calcasieu Association for Retarded Citizens, Inc. (NISH) Vernon Sheltered Workshop, Inc. (NISH) Many

Association for Retarded Citizens of Sabine, Inc. (NISH)

Industries for the Blind and Visually Impaired (NIB) New Orleans Goodworks, Inc. (NISH) The Lighthouse for the Blind in New Orleans (NIB) Shreveport Louisiana Association for the Blind (NIB) North Louisiana Goodwill Industries & Rehabilitation Center, Inc. (NISH) The Arc of Caddo-Bossier (NISH)

#### MAINE-5

Auburn Pathways, Inc. (NISH) Augusta Motivational Services, Inc. (NISH) Belfast Group Home Foundation (NISH) Portland Goodwill Industries of Northern New England (NISH) Maine Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired (NIB)

#### MARYLAND—14

Aberdeen The ARC of Northern Chesapeake Region, Inc. (NISH) Baltimore Alliance, Inc. (NISH) Baltimore Association for Retarded Citizens, Inc. (NISH) Blind Industries and Services of Maryland (NIB) Goodwill Industries of the Chesapeake, Inc. (NISH) Sinai Hospital of Baltimore (NISH) The Chimes, Inc. (NISH)



Elvina Goodson performs laundry services at Goodwill Industrial Services Corporation.



Melwood Horticultural Training Center employee Julian Johnson provides janitorial/custodial services at the USDA George Washington Carver Center in Beltsville, Maryland.

Chesapeake Bay Industries, Inc. (NISH) Frederick The Jeanne Bussard Center, Inc. (NISH) Hagerstown Hagerstown Goodwill Industries, Inc. (NISH) Hollywood The St. Mary's County Developmental Center, Inc. (NISH) Rockville The ARC of Montgomery County, Inc. (NISH) Silver Spring CHI Centers, Inc. (NISH) Upper Marlboro Melwood Horticultural Training Center (NISH)

Faston

#### MASSACHUSETTS—15

**Boston** Community Workshops, Inc. (NISH) Morgan Memorial Goodwill Industries, Inc. (NISH) **Braintree** Consolidated Products and Services, Inc. (NISH) Cambridge Massachusetts Commission for the Blind/Ferguson Industries for the Blind (NIB) Chicopee FOR Community Services, Inc. (NISH) Easthampton Riverside Industries, Inc. (NISH)

American Training, Inc. (NISH)

Hyannis

Lawrence

Malden

Nauset, Inc. (NISH)

Triangle, Inc. (NISH)

New Bedford The Opportunity Center of Greater New Bedford, Inc. (NISH) North Quincy Work, Incorporated (NISH) Pittsfield Berkshire County ARC, Inc. (NISH) Springfield Goodwill Industries of the Springfield/Hartford Area, Inc. (NISH) Human Resources Unlimited (NISH) Worcester Seven Hills Occupational & Rehabilitation Services, Inc. (NISH)

#### MICHIGAN-16

Alpena

Northeastern Michigan Rehabilitation and Opportunity Center (NISH) Ann Arbor Washtenaw County Community Mental Health Board (NISH) Battle Creek Calhoun County Community Mental Health Services (NISH) Navigations, Inc. (NISH) Caro **Tuscola County Community** Mental Health Services (NISH) Grand Rapids Hope Network, Inc. (NISH) Holland Kandu Industries, Inc. (NISH) Kalamazoo Midwest Enterprises for the Blind (NIB) MRC Industries, Inc. (NISH) Kingsford Trico Opportunities, Inc. (NISH)

Peckham Vocational Industries, Inc. (NISH) Pontiac. New Horizons of Oakland County, Inc. (NISH) Port Huron The Arc of St. Clair County (NISH) Saginaw Saginaw Valley Rehabilitation Center, Inc. (NISH) Sault Ste. Marie Northern Transitions, Inc. (NISH) Southfield Jewish Vocational Service and Community Workshop (NISH) Three River Falls Occupational Development Center, Inc. (NISH)

#### MINNESOTA—6

Duluth
Duluth Lighthouse for the Blind
(NIB)
Goodwill Industries Vocational
Enterprises, Inc. (NISH)
Minneapolis
Tasks Unlimited, Inc. (NISH)
Rochester
Ability Building Center, Inc. (NISH)
St. Paul
MDI Government Services, Inc.
(NISH)

#### MISSISSIPPI-12

Greenville Allied Enterprise of Washington County (NISH) Greenwood Allied Enterprise of Greenwood (NISH) Gulfport Goodwill Industries of South Mississippi, Inc. (NISH) Hazlehurst Signature Works, Inc. (NIB) Jackson Allied Enterprise of Jackson (NISH) Mississippi Industries for the Blind (NIB) Long Beach Allied Enterprises of Harrison County (NISH) Meridian Allied Enterprises of Meridian (NISH) Oxford Allied Enterprises of Oxford (NISH) Picayune South Mississippi Regional Center

Goodwill Industries of Mississippi,

Retarded Citizens, Inc. (NISH)

Warren County Association for

#### MISSOURI—9

Independence

Industries, Inc. (NISH) Kansas City Alphapointe Association for the Blind (NIB) Helping Hand of Goodwill Industries Extended **Employment Sheltered** Workshop, Inc. (NISH) Marshfield Web-co Custom Industries, Inc. (NISH) Sedalia Cooperative Workshops, Inc. (NISH) Springfield Springfield Workshop, Inc. (NISH) St. Louis Lighthouse for the Blind (NIB) Metropolitan Employment and Rehabilitation Service (NISH) MGI Services Corporation (NISH)

Independence and Blue Springs

#### MONTANA—4

Billings
Community Option Resource
Enterprises, Inc. (NISH)
Butte
BSW, Inc. (NISH)
Helena
Helena Industries, Inc. (NISH)
Missoula
Opportunity Resources, Inc.
(NISH)

#### NEBRASKA—3

Lincoln Goodwill Industries, Inc. (NISH) Nebraska City Region V Services (NISH) Omaha Goodwill Industries, Inc. (NISH)

#### NEVADA—3

Las Vegas
Opportunity Village Association
for Retarded Citizens (NISH)
Southern Nevada Sightless, Inc.
(NIB)
Sparks
United Cerebral Palsy of Northern
Nevada (NISH)

#### **NEW HAMPSHIRE—2**

Keene Wyman Way Cooperative, Inc. (NISH) Lebanon West Central Services (NISH)

#### **NEW JERSEY—8**

Augusta SCARC, Inc. (NISH)

(NISH)

Inc. (NISH)

Ridgeland

Vicksburg

Cedar Knolls
Occupational Training Center of
Morris County (NISH)
Edison

Edison Sheltered Workshop, Inc. (NISH)

Hackensack

North Jersey Friendship House, Inc. (NISH)

Mt. Holly

Occupational Training Center of Burlington County (NISH)

Orange

The First Occupational Center of New Jersey (NISH)

Somerset

New Jersey Association of the Deaf-Blind, Inc. (NIB)

Westmont

Bestwork Industries for the Blind, Inc. (NIB)

#### **NEW MEXICO—5**

Albuquerque
Adelante Development Center,
Inc. (NISH)
New Mexico Industries for the Blind
(NIB)
RCI, Inc. (NISH)
Clovis
ENMRSH,Inc. (NISH)
Las Cruces
Tresco, Inc. (NISH)

#### NEW YORK—41

**Albany** Northeastern Association of the Blind at Albany, Inc. (NIB) Amsterdam Montgomery County Chapter, NYSARC, Inc. (NISH) Binghamton Sheltered Workshop for the Disabled, Inc. (NISH) The Blind Work Association, Inc. (NIB) Brooklyn Federation Employment and Guidance Service (NISH) Buffalo Blind Association of Western New York (NIB) Niagara Frontier Vocational Rehabilitation Center, Inc. (NISH) Canandaigua Ontario County Chapter, NYSARC-

Abbey Industries (NISH)
Canton
St. Lawrence County Chapter

St. Lawrence County Chapter, NYSARC (NISH) Cortland

J. M. Murray Center, Inc. (NISH) Fairport

Continuing Developmental Services, Inc. (NISH)

Fulton

Oswego Industries, Inc. (NISH) Jamestown

Chautauqua County Chapter, NYSARC, Inc. (NISH) Long Island City

New York City Industries for the Blind (NIB)

Malone

Citizen Advocates, Inc. (NISH)

Menands

The Workshop, Inc. (NISH)

Middletown

New Dynamics, Corp. (NISH) Orange County Rehabilitation Center, Occupations, Inc (NISH)

New York City

Fedcap Rehabilitation Services, Inc. (NISH)

The Corporate Source, Inc. (NISH)

The Lighthouse, Inc. (NIB) Niagara Falls

Niagara County Chapter, NYSARC (NISH)

Oakdale

Skills Unlimited, Inc. (NISH) Olean

Cattaraugas County Chapter, NYSARC (NISH)

Peekskill

Community Aid for Retarded Children, Inc. (NISH)

Plattsburgh

Clinton County Chapter, NYSARC, Inc. (NISH)

Poughkeepsie

Dutchess County Chapter, NYSARC, Inc. (NISH)

Rochester

Lifetime Assistance, Inc. (NISH) Rochester Rehabilitation Center, Inc. (NISH)

The Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired and Goodwill Industries of Greater Rochester, Inc. (NIB)

Sardinia

Suburban Adult Services, Inc. (NISH)

Scotia

Schenectady County Chapter NYSARC, Inc. (NISH)

Slingerlands

Albany County Chapter, NYSARC, Inc. (NISH)

Syracuse

Aurora of Central New York (NIB) Consolidated Industries of

Greater Syracuse, Inc. (NISH)
Utica

Central Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired, Inc. (NIB)

Human Technologies Corporation, Inc. (NISH)

The Arc, Onieda-Lewis Chapter, NYSARC (NISH)

Walton

Delaware County Chapter, NYSARC, Inc. (NISH)

Waterloo

SNYSARC, Inc., Seneca-Cayuga Counties Chapter (NISH)

Watertown

Jefferson County Center, NYSARC (NISH)

#### **NORTH CAROLINA—16**

Boone

Watauga Opportunities, Inc. (NISH)

Charlotte

Lions Services, Inc. (NIB)

Cherokee

Vocational Opportunities of Cherokee, Inc. (NISH)

Durham

Durham Exchange Club Industries, Inc. (NISH)

Lions Club Industries for the Blind, Inc. (NIB)

Fayetteville

Windows of Opportunities
Vocational Training Center

(NISH) Greensboro

Industries of the Blind, Inc. (NIB)

Greenville

Eastern Carolina Vocational Center, Inc. (NISH)

Jacksonville

Coastal Enterprises of Jacksonville, Inc. (NISH)

Kinston

Lions Industries for the Blind, Inc. (NIB)

Marble

Industrial Opportunities, Inc. (NISH)

New Bern

CETC Employment

Opportunities, Inc. (NISH)

North Wilkesboro

Wilkes County Vocational Workshop, Inc. (NISH)

Raleigh

Raleigh Lions Clinic for the Blind, Inc. (NIB)

Winston-Salem

Goodwill Industries of Northwest North Carolina, Inc. (NISH)

Winston-Salem Industries for the Blind, Inc. (NIB)

#### **NORTH DAKOTA—5**

Bismark

Pride, Inc. (NISH)

Fargo

Vocational Training Center (NISH)

Jamestown

Alpha Opportunities, Inc. (NISH)

Minot

Minot Vocational Adjustment Workshop, Inc. (NISH)

Valley City

Open Door Center (NISH)

#### **OHIO—21**

Akron

Community Support Services, Inc. (NISH)

Weaver Industries, Inc. (NISH)

Canton
The Workshops Inc. (NISH

The Workshops, Inc. (NISH) Cincinnati

Cincinnati Association for the Blind (NIB)

CRI, Inc. (NISH)

Ohio Valley Goodwill Industries Rehabilitation Center, Inc. (NISH)

The Clovernook Center—
Opportunities for the Blind

(NIB) Cleveland

Cleveland Skilled Industries (NIB)

VGS, Inc. (NISH)

Dayton

Eastway Corporation (NISH)

Goodwill Industries of the Miami Valley (NISH)

Elvria

Murray Ridge Production Center, Inc. (NISH)

Inc. (NIS Mansfield

Richland County Board of Mental Retardation and

Developmental Disabilities (NISH)

Marion

MARCA Industries, Inc. (NISH)



Harold Jackson, an employee at Alphapointe Association for the Blind, works on the production of stick-type ballpoint pens.



Joanna Richardson, an employee of The Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired and Goodwill Industries of Greater Rochester, Inc., works on the production of postable note pads.

#### OHIO—CONTINUED

Newark
Licking-Knox Goodwill Industries,
Inc. (NISH)
Springfield
Clark County Board of Mental
Retardation and Developmental
Disabilities (NISH)
Stryker

Quadco Rehabilitation Center, Inc. (NISH) Toledo

ContracTech, Inc. (NISH) Xenia Greene, Inc. (NISH)

Burdman Group, Inc. (NISH) Youngstown Area Goodwill Industries, Inc. (NISH)

#### OKLAHOMA—16

Youngstown

Anadarko
APEX, Inc. (NISH)
Edmond
The Meadows Center for
Opportunity, Inc. (NISH)
Enid
Opportunity Productions, Inc.
(NISH)
Idabel

Sonray Industries (NISH) Lawton

Goodwill Industries of Southwest Oklahoma, Inc. (NISH)

Midwest City Mid-Del Group Home, Inc. (NISH)

Moore Work Activity Center, Inc. (NISH) Muskogee

Goodwill Industries of Muskogee (NISH)

Oklahoma City
Comprehensive Community
Services Corporation (NISH)
Oklahoma County Council for
Mentally Retarded Citizens,
Inc. (NISH)
Oklahoma Goodwill Industries,
Inc. (NISH)
The Oklahoma League for the
Blind (NIB)
Stigler
Kibois Community Action
Foundation, Inc. (NISH)
Tulsa
Gatesway Foundation, Inc. (NISH)

Goodwill Industries of Tulsa, Inc.

Oklahoma's Action Rehabilitation

#### OREGON-11

Centers (NISH)

(NISH)

Woodward

Astoria

Clatsop County Development
Training Center Association
(NISH)
Eugene
Pearl Buck Center, Inc. (NISH)
Lebanon
Willamette Valler Rehabilitation
Center (NISH)
Medford
Living Opportunities, Inc. (NISH)
Milwaukie
CCI Enterprises, Inc. (NISH)
Portland
Blind Enterprises of Oregon (NIB)
Portland Habilitation Center, Inc.
(NISH)
St. Vincent DePaul Rehabilitation

Services of Oregon (NISH)

The Port City Development Center (NISH) Roseburg Sunrise Enterprises of Roseburg, Inc. (NISH) Salem The Garten Foundation (NISH)

### PENNSYLVANIA—37

Aston
Elwyn Incorporated (NISH)
Athens
Penn-York Opportunities, Inc.
(NISH)
Beaver Meadows
Carbon Training Center, Inc.
(NISH)
Bethlehem
Via of the Lehigh Valley, Inc. (NISH)
Chester
Delaware County Branch of the

Pennsylvania Association for the Blind (NIB) Coatesville

Chester County Branch of the Pennsylvania Association for the Blind, Inc. (NIB)

Dr. Gertrude A. Barber Center, Inc. (NISH) Greensburg

Rehabilitation Center & Workshop, Inc. (NISH) Westmoreland County Branch, Pennsylvania Association for

the Blind, Inc. (NIB) Harrisburg Goodwill Services, Inc. (NISH) Indiana

ICW Vocational Services, Inc.
(NISH)

Indiana County Blind Association, Inc. (NIB)

Johnstown Cambria County Association for

the Blind and Handicapped, Inc. (NISH)

Goodwill Industries of the Conemaugh Valley, Inc. (NISH)

Lancaster

Susquehanna Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired (NIB)

Lewiston

Juniata Branch, Pennsylvania Association for the Blind, Inc. (NISH)

Lower Gwynedd Delta Community Supports, Inc.

(NISH) Meadow Lands Futtrel, Inc. (NISH)

Mechanicsburg Cumberland-Perry Association for Retarded Citizens (NISH)

New Castle Lark Enterprises, Inc. (NISH) New Kensington Family Services of Western

Pennsylvania, Inc. (NISH)
Philadelphia
Horizon House, Inc. (NISH)

Inc. (NISH) Pittsburgh ARC, Allegheny County Chapter— Parc-Way Industries (NISH) Goodwill Commercial Services (NISH) Pittsburgh Vision Services, Inc. (NIB) The Easter Seal Society of Western Pennsylvania (NISH) Vocational Rehabilitation Center of Allegheny County, Inc. (NISH) Pottsville United Cerebral Palsy of Schuylkill, Carbon and Northumberland Counties

P.A.T.H. (People Acting to Help),

Scranton Allied Health Care Services (NISH) Sharon

(NISH)

Mercer County Branch,
Pennsylvania Association for
the Blind (NISH)
Washington

Washington-Greene County Branch, Pennsylvania Association for the Blind (NIB)

White Haven Center (NISH)

Wilkes-Barre
United Rehabilitation Services II

United Rehabilitation Services, Inc. (NISH)

Williamsport Hope Enterprises, Inc. (NISH) North Central Sight Services, Inc.

(NIB) York

York County Blind Center (NIB)

#### RHODE ISLAND—3

Newport
Newport County Chapter of
Retarded Citizens, Inc. (NISH)
North Providence
Greater Providence Chapter,
Rhode Island Association for
Retarded Citizens (NISH)
Pawtucket
In-Sight (NIB)

### SOUTH CAROLINA—19

Aiken
The Tri-Development Center of
Aiken County, Inc. (NISH)
Beaufort
Beaufort Vocational Rehabilitation
Center (NISH)
Camden
Camden Vocational Rehabilitation
Training Center (NISH)
Charleston
Goodwill Industries of Lower
South Carolina, Inc. (NISH)
Conway

Horry County Disability/Special

Needs Branch (NISH)

#### SOUTH CAROLINA continued

Easley

Pickens County Board for the Mentally Retarded and Developmentally Disabled, Inc. (NISH)

Florence

Florence County Disabilities and Special Needs Board (NISH) Greenville

Greenville County Disabilities & Special Needs Board (NISH) Greenwood

Emerald Center Multi-County Board for Disabilities and Special Needs (NISH)

North Charleston

Goodwill Industries of Lower South Carolina, Inc. (NISH) Orangeburg

Orangeburg County Disabilities and Special Needs Board (NISH)

Rock Hill

York County Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities Board (NISH)

Seneca

Oconee-Pickens Work Training Center (NISH)

Spartanburg

The Charles Lea Center for Rehabilitation and Special Education, Inc. (NISH) Summerville

Dorchester County Board of Disabilities and Special Needs

(NISH)

Sumter

The Genesis Center (NISH)
Sumter Developmental Learning
Center & Special Needs Board

(NISH)

Walterboro Walterboro Vocational

Rehabilitation Center (NISH)

West Columbia

Columbia Vocational

Rehabilitation Center (NISH)

### SOUTH DAKOTA—5

Aberdeen

Adjustment Training Center, Inc. (NISH)

Hot Springs

Southern Hills Developmental Services, Inc. (NISH)

Huron

Huron Area Adjustment Training Center, Inc. (NISH)

Rapid City

BH Services, Inc. (NISH)

Sioux Falls

Sioux Vocational Services Inc. (NISH)

#### TENNESSEE—10

Clarksville

Progressive Directions, Inc. (NISH)

Cookeville

Advocacy and Resources

Corporation (NISH)

Johnson City

Dawn of Hope Development Center, Inc. (NISH)

Knoxville

Goodwill Industries—Knoxville, Inc. (NISH)

Knox County Association for Retarded Citizens (NISH) Memphis

Memphis Goodwill Industries, Inc. (NISH)

Shelby Residential & Vocational Services, Inc. (NISH)

Morristown

Lions Volunteer Blind Industries, Inc. (NIB)

Nashville

Ed Lindsey Industries for the Blind, Inc. (NIB)

Goodwill Industries of Middle Tennessee, Inc. (NISH)

#### TEXAS—37

Ahilene

Abilene Goodwill Industries, Inc. (NISH)

Amarillo

Goodwill Industries of Amarillo, Inc. (NISH)

Austin

Goodwill Industries of Central Texas, Inc. (NISH)

St. Vincent DePaul Rehabilitation Services of Texas, Inc. (NISH)

The Travis Association for the Blind (NIB)

Beaumont

Goodwill Industries of Southeast Texas, Inc. (NISH)

Statewide Consolidated Community Development Corp., Inc. (NISH)

Conroe

Tri-County Mental Health and Mental Retardation Services (NISH)

Corpus Christi

Nueces County Mental Health-Mental Retardation

Community Center (NISH) South Texas Lighthouse for the Blind (NIB)

The RC Foundation, Inc. (NISH) Dallas

Dallas Lighthouse for the Blind, Inc. (NIB)

Fairweather Associates, Inc. (NISH)

Goodwill Industries of Dallas, Inc. (NISH)

El Paso

Goodwill Industries of El Paso (NISH)

National Center for Employment of the Disabled (NISH)



Fairfax Opportunities Unlimited employee Nanou Mol packs a medical module kit.

Fort Worth

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Health-Mental Retardation

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Wytheville

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